

## George Kral

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**To:** APPtestimony@cga.ct.gov  
**Cc:** Shannon Jacovino  
**Subject:** DDS Appropriations

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Dear Honorable Members of the Appropriations Committee,

We are parents of Patrick Kral, a person with intellectual disabilities. Patrick lives and works in Avon, Connecticut and receives services from FAVARH, funded by DDS. Patrick is a success story owing to his own hard work, but **this success would not have been possible without the day and employment services support provided by the State.** The Governor's proposed budget provides no new funding for this program for new high school graduates. This omission is short-sighted and will deprive these citizens of our State of the opportunity to achieve the best that they can. We all loose when this happens. Please don't let it happen.

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